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**OUT-OF-STATE ANNUAL REVIEW****LAKEMARY CENTER**

100 Lakemary Drive
Paola, Kansas 66071

FACILITY VISIT DATES: October 26, 2006**OUT-OF-STATE CERTIFICATION UNIT (OSCU) STAFF MEMBER:**

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PURPOSE OF VISIT:

The Lakemary Center is seeking re-certification with the State of California, Department of Social Services, Community Care Licensing Division, Out-of-State Certification Unit. The purpose of this visit is to verify that the facility is in compliance with California Group Home Licensing Standards for re-certification.

CALIFORNIA PLACEMENTS & PLACING AGENCIES:

At the time of the visit there were a total of five California students in placement. The total census was 62. Currently Sacramento and San Luis Obispo counties are the only two California county agencies contacted for services with Lakemary.

FACILITY & PHYSICAL PLANT OVERVIEW:

Lakemary is located in Paola, Kansas—a suburban community located outside Kansas City. On October 26, 2006, a tour of the entire facility grounds was conducted. All living units furniture, equipment and supplies appeared to be plentiful and in good repair. A tour of the on grounds campus school and cafeteria was also conducted. No issues of concern involving any facilities physical plant.

FIRE CLEARANCE:

Fire inspections are conducted by the Kansas State Fire Marshal Fire Prevention Division on an annual basis. The last fire inspection was conducted in April of 2005. Records revealed that an attempt by the agency was made in March 2006 via fax requesting inspection of the Paola and Olathe locations. However, a renewal for 2006 fire clearance has not been conducted as of this date. (Issue to be addressed in the plan of correction)

LOCAL STATE LICENSING / COMPLAINTS ISSUES:

Lakemary Center is licensed by the State of Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE).

On November 9, 2006, contact was made with the KDHE licensing representative regarding the current licensing status and operation of Lakemary. It was reported that Lakemary has had one allegation which was phoned (hot line) in by a parent involving one child biting another. As of November 10, 2006 the investigation has not been completed. It is expected that no regulatory findings will be found against the agency regarding this complaint. Lakemary is currently operating under full licensing status and there is no current administrative and /or pending legal action at this time.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT CLEARANCES:

The facility's last health inspection was conducted by KDHE on December 6, 2005. No deficiencies were noted.

ADMINISTRATION AND PLAN OF OPERATION REVIEW:

Lakemary Center has had two changes in administrative positions within the last year. Dr. Killgore, former Director of Children Services and Julie Killgore, former Human Resources Director have moved on to take administrative positions in another residential program. Their former positions are being replaced by Dr. John Wallace, who will assume the Director of Children's Services as of November 27, 2006, and Kelly Mufich who recently started as the Human Resources Manager on October 18, 2006. A copy of Dr. Wallace's application / resume and newly revised administrative organizational chart has been requested by the Out-of-State Certification Unit that will reflect the new changes.

Lakemary has a copy of a valid license for the facility. Administrative review revealed no issue related to intake procedures, operating outside of license capacity, staffing ratios, and health and safety.

PROGRAM REVIEW AND CHANGES, (If applicable):

Lakemary has maintained their program structure and treatment philosophy. There has not been any significant change in the overall program since the previous year.

EMERGENCY INTERVENTION PLAN (EIP) / INCIDENT REPORTS:

Lakemary does not currently have an approved Emergency Intervention Plan on file. (Issue to be addressed in the plan of correction).

PERSONNEL AND CLIENT FILE REVIEW:

A total of five staff and client files were reviewed. Client # 1 (see attached confidential names addendum) last dental exam was October 5, 2005. Client is currently scheduled for an annual exam on November 1, 2006. Client files did not appear to include individualized runaway plans to address the child intervention if he/she decides to runaway from the facility. (Issue to be addressed in the plan of correction).

Staff files reviewed appeared to have required documents in the files. Included was: health screening, first aid/CPR, fingerprint clearances and training documentation. Client files included admission agreements, medical/ medical consent, needs & service plans, quarterly reports etc.

CLIENT(S) AND PERSONAL RIGHTS REVIEW:

Interviews with children revealed no issues of concern related to personal rights. Students reported that their needs were being met, and that they are given all the necessary essentials for daily living. Students had no issues with telephone access to call their families, etc.

MEDICAL, DENTAL, AND NUTRITIONAL FOLLOW-UP SERVICES:

Interviews revealed that students are receiving medical and dental services on a regularly scheduled basis. Client files were in good order and contained the proper documentation of medical and dental examinations. One child record indicated a scheduled dental examination for December, 2006. (See above section: personnel and client file review.)

TREATMENT SERVICES (COUNSELING, GROUPS, THERAPY, ETC):

Lakemary continues a high level of counseling support in the residential program. This includes Life Skills Specialist who are considered their main source of immediate support and their assigned Therapist who they meet with on a daily, weekly or as often as needed basis.

Interviews revealed that students were receiving individual therapy and counseling on a regular basis. No issue of concern in the therapeutic services.

SCOPE OF CERTIFICATION REVIEW:

Areas covered during this review were: program features, training, therapy, intake and discharge, policy and procedure covering emergency intervention, medications, file review, observation of daily program and activities, personal rights, food service, and physical plant.

OUT-OF-STATE CERTIFICATION FINDINGS AND PLAN OF CORRECTION (S):

Develop a Plan of Correction (POC) and implementation that clearly responds to the issues in this Out-of-State Certification review of Lakemary Center. The POC must include but not be limited to, the following elements:

1. California licensing standards require that group homes, which utilize emergency interventions to prevent a child who exhibits assaultive behavior from injuring or endangering himself, herself, or others, shall be governed by the provisions of General Licensing requirements, Group Homes that prohibit the use of restraints. Submit an Emergency Intervention Plan (EIP) that includes and addresses the following:
 - a. Name(s) of facility personnel trained to use emergency interventions.
 - b. A description of each emergency intervention technique to be used.
 - c. A statement specifying what emergency interventions will never be used.
 - d. Maximum time limitations for each emergency intervention technique.
 - e. In what situations each emergency intervention is to be used.
 - f. Expected outcome, benefits to the child.
 - g. A description of the circumstances and the types of behaviors that may require the use of emergency intervention.
 - h. Procedures for using age appropriate emergency intervention techniques.
 - i. Procedures for using emergency interventions if more than 1 child requires the use of emergency intervention.
 - j. Procedures for ensuring care and supervision is maintained in the facility when all available facility personnel are required for the use of the emergency intervention.
 - k. Procedures for re-integrating the child back into the facility routine after an emergency intervention technique has been used.
 - l. A manual restraint plan that includes the following: the titles of the facility personnel responsible for checking the child's breathing and circulation; procedures for determining when a medical examination is needed during a manual restraint; procedures for ensuring that the amount of time a child is restrained is limited to the amount of time when the child's is presenting an immediate danger to himself/herself or others.
 - m. Protective Separation Room (See section 84322.1, California Code of Regulations, Title 22, Division 6)
 - n. Runaway Plan (See section 84322.2, California Code of Regulations, Title 22, Division 6)
2. Provide follow-up on the 2006 fire inspection. Provide a copy of the inspection once completed.
3. Provide copy of client # 1 dental examination that was scheduled for November 1, 2006.

4. Provide an individualized runaway plan as pertaining to the EIP that will be included in the child's needs and services plan. This information is to be kept in the child's file with the consent of the authorized placement worker.

CERTIFICATION DECISION

Lakemary will be offered an opportunity to provide a Plan of Correction (POC). Re-Certification will remain valid through due date of the POC. An official re-certification letter will follow upon the completion and approval of the POC. Please submit a POC for the following issues addressed by: **December 30, 2006.**

- c: The California Department of Social Services, Children and Family Services Division, Out-Of-State Placement Policy